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Chief, Okinawa Bureau  
Foreign Broadcast Information Service  
Headquarters, Ryukyus Command, G-2  
APO 331, c/o Postmaster  
San Francisco, California

Dear [redacted]

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Receipt of your 10 February 1949 memorandum, subject: Military Government, Rycom, Broadcasting, is acknowledged.

Shortly before receipt of your memorandum I received a copy of the official message CX 67674 as received here by the Army Department. The message is identical to the one attached to your memorandum with the omission of one small but very important word. Paragraph 5 of the official message stated:

"FBIS representatives on Okinawa have been fully informed and have stated that interference to FBIS monitory service is anticipated,"

omitting the word "no". I did not call this to the attention of the Army since it makes our position stronger and precludes any misunderstanding of your statement that 500 watts was the maximum power, etc.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of my memorandum to the Army giving them our reaction to this message, which is listed as Reference g. I think it is self-explanatory.

We do not desire to be autocratic in this matter and you and [redacted] should be cooperative in implementing this program. However, I foresee the possibility of lots of other people wanting to put up installations on Okinawa and it is very necessary that we keep our own interests first and foremost in our own minds. Be sure that you do not agree to anything which you believe is going to jeopardize our operation, and be sure to refer anything to this office which appears to be inconsistent with the enclosed memorandum. In this connection, be careful of your statements and in order to avoid misunderstandings in the future it is probably a wise procedure to make such statements in writing.

I shall keep you advised of any further developments with reference to this subject here in Washington.

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Enclosure: memo dtd 18 Feb 49

to CAG, Department of Defense

from CAG, FBI

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